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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for replying to the Restriction Requirement that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on December 17, 2002 be extended for two months, to and including March 17, 2003.

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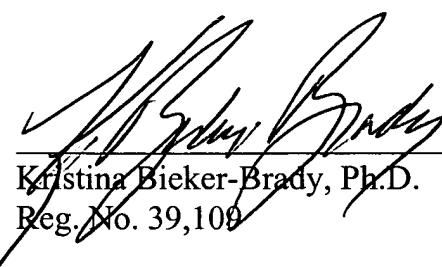
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